

Announcements

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Opening Hymn: Alpha and Omega (*standing, as you are able*)

[Verse]

You are Alpha and Omega
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised
You are Alpha and Omega
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

[Chorus]

We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised
We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

[Verse]

You are Alpha and Omega
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised

[Chorus]

We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised
We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised
We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised
We give You all the glory
We worship You our Lord
You are worthy to be praised.

Opening Acclamation (*standing, as you are able*)

Presider Blessed be the One, Holy, Living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

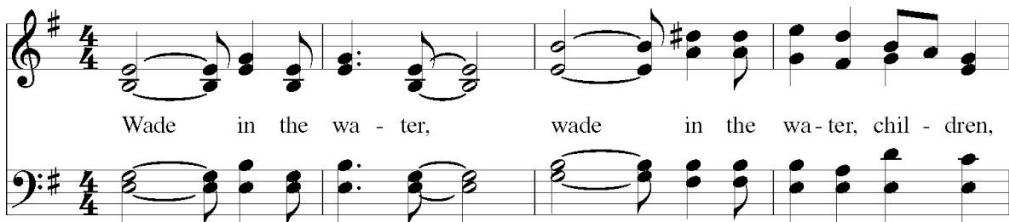
Presider There is one Body and one Spirit.

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Presider One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.

People **One God of all.**

Song of Praise: Wade In the Water (*refrain sung by congregation, verses sung by Artists-in-Residence*)



Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,



Wade in the wa - ter, God's a - gon - na trou - ble the wa - ter.

1. See that host all dressed in white,
God's a-gonna trouble the water.
The leader looks like the Israelite.
God's a-gonna trouble the water.

2. See that band all dressed in red.
Looks like the band that Moses led.

3. Look over yonder, what do I see?
The Holy Ghost a-coming on me.

4. If you don't believe I've been redeemed,
Just follow me down to Jordan's stream.

The Prayer (Collect) of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Scripture Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Alleluia (standing, as you are able)



The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33 (standing, as you are able)

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Jesus Christ.**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Gospeller: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Jesus Christ.**

The Alleluia (repeated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gray Lesesne

The Holy Baptisms

Presider The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present Gabriel Ryan Reynolds to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

I present Brayden Allen Addis to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Presider asks the Candidates

Do you wish to be baptized?

Candidates I do.

The Presider asks the Parents and Godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

They respond

I will, with God's help.

The Presider asks the Parents and Godparents

Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

They respond

I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following of the candidates, parents and godparents:

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Presider addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these people in their life in Christ?

The People joyfully respond

We will.

The Presider then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant *(standing, as you are able)*

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.***

***He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.***

***He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.***

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

***He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.***

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People ***I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.***

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People ***I will, with God's help***
Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People ***I will, with God's help.***
Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People ***I will, with God's help.***
Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider Let us now pray for these people, who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Litanist Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Litanist Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***
Presider Grant, O God, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

The Thanksgiving Over the Water

Presider God be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

The Presider then blesses the water, and recounts how God has worked through water to bless God's people throughout time. The candidates are presented by name to the Presider, who then pours water upon the candidates, saying
I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed, the Presider prays, saying

Let us pray. Holy God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Then the Presider places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying
You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

The Presider then says
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All say together

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Admission of Good Sam's 101 Graduates as Members of Good Samaritan

Presider Dear Friends in Christ, having completed Good Sam's 101, you now come before our community as a sign of your desire to grow together with us and to become members of this community. Will you, with all the gifts God has given you, help us to love and serve others, as Christ loved and served us?

Members ***We commit ourselves to being followers of Jesus, with open minds and hearts to serve.***

The Holy Communion

The Offertory: Holy

Richard Smallwood

The people's offerings are collected to support the ongoing work and ministry of our community. *If you wish to make a gift by text, simply send the dollar amount you wish to give to 73256 with the keyword GoodSams, followed by a space, and then a dollar amount. For example, "GoodSams 15"*

The Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer

Presider God be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The musical score consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system is marked *mf* and includes the lyrics: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and". The second system is marked *f* and includes the lyrics: "might, Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na,". The third system includes the lyrics: "Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est." There are triplets and slurs throughout the score.

mf
Bles - sed is he who comes_ in the name_ of the_ Lord. Ho -

ff
san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
ff

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Presider and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider And now, as Our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

All who are followers of Christ, regardless of your church background (or not!), are warmly welcome to receive the gifts of bread and wine in Holy Communion. Come forward and the priest will place a piece of bread into your palm. **Gluten-free bread is available; simply ask the minister.** As the cup of wine passes, you may either dip the bread into the wine, or drink from the cup. If you do not wish to receive bread and wine, we welcome you to come forward anyway and to cross your arms over your chest. The priest will say a prayer for God's blessing upon you.

Hymn After Communion: Total Praise

Richard Smallwood

Lord, I will lift mine eyes to the hills
Knowing my help is coming from You
Your peace, You give me in time of the storm

You are the source of my strength
You are the strength of my life
I lift my hands in total praise to You.
Amen, amen. *(Repeat.)*

Postcommunion Prayer *(said by all)*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing of the People

Closing Hymn: Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Lord I lift your name on high
Lord I love to sing your praises
I'm so glad you are in my life
I'm so glad you came to save us *(Repeat)*

You came from heaven to earth, to show the way
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift your name on high *(Repeat)*

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The Sending Forth To Serve

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

With thanks to those who serve today!

Eric Williams, Presider of Liturgy of the Word **Tim Grino**, reader **Christa Nierzwick**, litanist **Steven Kellermeyer**, chalice **Wendy Meaden**, altar preparation **Tim Grino**, bread baker **Christa & Mark Nierzwick**, greeters **Bob Slagle & Al Wilkins**, ushers **The Huangs**, hospitality **Lara Dreyer**, Bishop's Committee Member on Duty

Today at Good Sam's: Welcome, Rodnie Bryant and musical guests! An Indianapolis native, Rodnie Bryant has had an illustrious career as a director, producer and music arranger. As founder of the Christian Community Mass Choir, he has been nominated for Grammy, Stellar and Soul Train awards and has helped produce a number of albums that have been influential in the gospel music world. We're thrilled to have him with us. Please join Rodnie for conversation and dialogue after today's worship in the cafeteria. **Good Sam's Kids, Explorers, and Youth** will also meet from **11:00-12:00 noon**.

Have plans for lunch today? Join fellow Good Samaritans as we head to **Brownsburg's Blues & BBQ** event at **12 noon** at Arbuckle Acres. Not only will some of the best BBQ smokers in the area be on site, but there's great music

planned, too. Free admission. Just bring some cash for lunch and a lawn chair or picnic blanket. We're planning to wear our Good Sam's shirts and sit together....stay just for lunch or spend the whole afternoon!

Can you help as a mobile library tender? As part of the Growing Courageous Neighbors program, we have a new mobile library with over 130 titles! If you might be able to volunteer to roll the library cart out for Good Samaritans to peruse for 15 minutes before and after church on a Sunday, please be in touch with Deb Samples or Astrid at admin@churchthatserves.org. You can find a full list of the library's offerings on our website.



***This week:* Pub Theology with Shelly Fitzgerald on Tuesday, September 10 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** at Green Street Pub in Brownsburg (911 N. Green Street). We'll welcome Shelly Fitzgerald, who is an advocate for LGBTQ+ individuals in our schools, the workplace and our community at large. We hope to see you there!

Racial Reconciliation & Healing: Seeing White Podcast Group: Where did the notion of "whiteness" come from? What does it mean? What is whiteness for? Discover the origins of the concept of race and the history of racism in the United States. The first four meetings will be online via web conference from **7:00 - 8:15 p.m. on Wednesdays September 11, 18, 25 and October 2.** On **October 9**, we will meet in person at the Elevate office building to reflect on the series and look for ways we can take next steps. Email Erin Tanner at erintanner76@gmail.com to sign up.



Save the dates!

The Oldies But Goodies Supper Club meets **Saturday, September 21st at 5:00 p.m.** at Fr. Gray's home (16 W 61st Street, Indianapolis). Our supper club for Good Samaritans 65 and better meets monthly for conversation, fellowship, and fun. Newcomers are always welcome. RSVP to Lorene Champlin at lorenechamplin@gmail.com.

Join us for a Pilgrimage to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati on **Saturday, October 12** as part of our Racial Reconciliation Work. We will be on a chartered bus leaving from Harris Academy at **8:00 a.m.** and returning around **7:00 p.m.** The cost is a suggested donation of \$20 adult / \$10 child as a contribution toward the museum admissions and bus costs. Boxed lunches (which we strongly encourage you to order so that we get a timely lunch service) are also available for purchase when you register. Scholarships are available for both. The Freedom Center is a museum of conscience, an education center, a convener of dialogue, and a beacon of light for inclusive freedom around the globe. Please register on Realm or email Astrid at admin@churchthatserves.org if you have any questions.

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GET CONNECTED! (For Newcomers and Regulars!)

- I'd like to be added to Good Samaritan's e-mail list.
- I'm new & just checking things out. Don't add me to anything yet.
- I'd like to ask for your prayers for _____.
- Something we didn't think of: _____.

Your name: _____ Your email: _____
Your phone: _____
Thoughts you want to share? _____